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From Bruce D. Roloson, W2BDR, Curator

Progress is going well on the move from the Annex to the Gauss Road building. Almost 80% of what was in the Annex has been photographed, packed and moved.



Bob Hobday (N2EVG) built a very special radio for the Boy Scouts of America. Since this is the BSA's 100th anniversary, the Scouts asked if the Antique Wireless Association Museum might make a replica of a transmitter and receiver using the plans in the 1911 Boy Scout Handbook. Not only did Museum Deputy Director Bob Hobday, N2EVG, make a working spark gap transmitter and crystal receiver that attracted a lot of favorable attention, he refused payment for the parts.

We have been working with The Radio Club of America to preserve their archives. Coordinating with Ken Hoagland of RC of A, we are planning to move this material to our media center, scan it and store it. The archives will be transferred from the present New Jersey storage building into a new room designed for the collection. We expect to complete the work in mid June and you will be able to see the collection in August.

Now that we have been able to move much of our material out of the annex, we have uncovered some equipment that has not been seen since we moved into that building. It is fun to rediscover these treasures. When you come in August, our facilities will look very different, I am sure.

Other than that, we are looking to acquire some new collections that I will be able to tell you about in the next *Journal*. And make sure that you check the conference web site, www.awaconference.com, for information about the Larry Babcock Estate Auction and pictures of many of the artifacts.

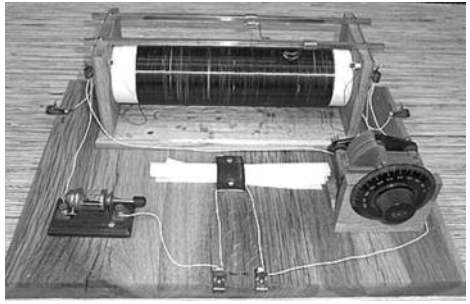
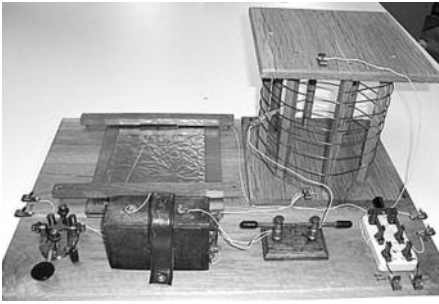
From Ron Roach, Museum Operations Manager

The transfer of artifacts from the Annex has been accelerated with the help of commercial movers, who focused on the transport of the heaviest items, including the TMC, Millen, RCA, and Yankee Clipper transmitters, the diversity receiver, and the televisions, console radios and teletypes. This allowed the AWA volunteers to concentrate on boxing and moving the 20s room, wireless and key room, communications room, audio equipment and table radios.

In preparation for the final transfer, commercial heavyweight storage units have been installed in the east bay at the Gauss Road facility and a trailer unit has been leased and installed in front of the west end of the building. Shelving from the annex and lighting fixtures have been installed in the trailer.

At the Media/Conference Center, our printed material storage is being significantly expanded. Gib Buckbee is installing lighting and drywall in bays 3 and 4 as well as lateral file cabinets with overhead open shelving.

Sorting and storage of the huge volume of receiving tubes in the Gauss Road tube loft is proceeding. Dave Furber, Joe Granica, Sandy MacMillen and Ron Walker continue to sort and



Spark transmitter (left) and crystal receiver built by Bob Hobday from plans in the 1911 Boy Scout Handbook.

fill the tube storage bays. At the Annex, the contents of the tube room continue to be boxed for transfer to Gauss Road.

The photographing, bar coding and database entry activities currently in operation at the Annex will be transferred to the Gauss Road facility once the last artifacts have been moved over.

Dan is currently getting an alternate estimate, from a local AWA member, for the repair of the

parking lot at Peddlers Antiques. The current estimate from Connors Paving is a complete crusher-run paving (125 ton) which might be torn out in two years if the grading for run-off is completed at Peddlers. At \$4,450 plus tax, it might be too much of an expenditure for short-term improvement. Dan has all the figures from Connors; I will wait for Dan's report and then might have a short-term fix, with savings, for Tom to consider.

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 - ❖ Ed PeckEdison cylinder-type dictating machine
 - ❖ Bill Tully, W2MTGWestern Union Official Time Clock, battery wind, working.
 - ❖ John KennedySaterlee Radio, three tube Regen Set
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 - ❖ Mary & Bruce Hotchkiss ..Tempo S-1 VHF FM handheld, as new, in box
 - ❖ Phil D'Eramo.....Motorola and Standard brand UHF handhelds. Working.
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 - ❖ Debora RoofWestern Electric telephone battery box
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